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I. SUBMITTED US PATENT REFERENCES

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II. OTHER DOCUMENTS

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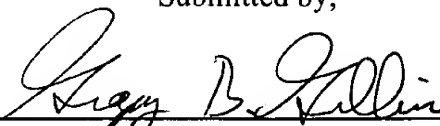
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III. EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

The above-identified references, except StarPortal™ Early Access II, Architecture, Concepts and Technologies, Sun Microsystems, Inc., August 2000, Revision B, were cited in

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